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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS

APPOINTED TO LOCATE THE

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL,

WITH ACCOMPANYING PAPERS.

REPORT.

To his Excellency, THOS. CARNEY,
Governor of the State of Kansas:

We, the undersigned Commissioners, appointed by your Excellency, in pursuance of an act of the Legislature, entitled "An act to establish, locate, and endow a State Normal School," approved March 3, 1863, respectfully beg leave to make the following report:

Your Commissioners met at Emporia, in Lyon county, Kansas, on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1863, and, in pursuance of the second section of said act of the Legislature, took the oath to faithfully discharge their duties as such Commissioners, which oath, certified by the officer before whom it was taken, is hereunto attached.

They then selected, as the site for the said State Normal School, the following described piece of land, adjacent to the said town of Emporia, containing twenty acres, to wit: Commencing at a point on the section line between sections ten (10) and eleven (11), township nineteen (19) south, of range eleven (11) east of the sixth principal meridian in Kansas, twenty-one (21) rods south of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of said section eleven (11); thence east, eighty (80) rods; thence south, forty (40) rods; thence west, eighty (80) rods; thence north, forty (40) rods, to the place of beginning.

The above piece of land is free from all incumbrance, and is a donation to the State of Kansas, as a site for the said State Normal School, by Henry W. Fick, Esq., of Emporia, who has this day executed to the State, for the purposes aforesaid, a warrantee deed, which deed has been duly recorded in the records of the Register of Deeds for Lyon county, and deposited with the Auditor of the

State of Kansas, in conformity with the act of the Legislature aforesaid. The certificate of the Auditor, showing the date of the deposit of the aforesaid deed, is hereunto attached.

Witness our hands, this 17th day of August, A. D. 1863.

H. W. FICK,
LEROY CRANDALL,
Commissioners.

Witness: C. V. ESKRIDGE.

COPY OF OATH REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

We, Henry W. Fick and Leroy Crandall, a majority of the Commissioners appointed by the Governor of the State of Kansas, to select a tract of land of not less than twenty acres, adjacent to the town of Emporia, Kansas, as a site for the State Normal School, in accordance with the provisions of an act of the Legislature, entitled "An Act to establish, locate and endow a State Normal School," approved March 3d, A. D. 1863, do severally swear that as such Commissioners, we will faithfully discharge our duties to the best of our abilities—so help us God.

H. W. FICK,
LEROY CRANDALL,
Commissioners.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this seventeenth (17th) day of August, A. D. 1863.

[SEAL.] CHARLES V. ESKRIDGE,
Notary Public, Lyon County, Kansas.

COPY OF DEED REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

This indenture, made this seventeenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, between Henry W. Fick and Sarah A. Fick his wife, of Lyon county, Kansas, of the first part, and the State of Kansas, of the second part, witnesseth, that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm, unto the said party of the second part, all that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in Lyon county, State of Kansas, and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a point on the section line between sections ten (10) and eleven (11), township No. nineteen (19) south, of range No. eleven (11) east of the sixth principal meridian, in Lyon county, and State aforesaid, twenty-one (21) rods south of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of the said section eleven (11); thence east, eighty (80) rods; thence south, forty (40) rods; thence west, eighty (80) rods; thence north, forty (40) rods, to the place of beginning; containing twenty acres—as a site for the State Normal School, in accordance with the provisions of an act entitled "An act to establish, locate and endow a State Normal School," approved March 3d, 1863; to have and to hold the premises above described, with the appurtenances, to the said party of the second part, forever, for the purposes aforesaid. And the said parties of the first part do hereby covenant with the said party of the second part, that they are lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid; that said premises is free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever; and that they will warrant and forever defend the same, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, against the lawful claim of all persons whomsoever.

In witness whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals, the day and year first above written.

HENRY W. FICK. [SEAL.]
SARAH A. FICK. [SEAL.]

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

C. V. ESKRIDGE.
T. C. BRANT.

STATE OF KANSAS, LYON COUNTY, SS.

I, Charles V. Eskridge, a Notary Public in and for said county, do certify that, on this seventeenth day of August, A. D. 1863, personally appeared before me Henry W. Fick, and Sarah A. Fick, his wife, to me personally known to be the identical persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, as grantors, and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed. She, the said Sarah A. Fick, being by me first made acquainted with the contents of said instrument, upon an examination apart from her said husband, acknowledged that she executed the same voluntarily, and without any fear, compulsion or undue influence of her said husband.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, the day and year last above written.

[SEAL.] CHARLES V. ESKRIDGE,
Notary Public, Lyon County, Kansas.

The words "the southwest quarter of the" interlined before signing. C. V. ESKRIDGE,
Notary Public, Lyon Co., Kansas.

Endorsed: Warrantee Deed, from Henry W. Fick to State of Kansas. Site for the State Normal School. Filed, Aug. 24th, 1863, at 9 A. M., and recorded in E, Book of Deeds, page 267.

F. G. HUNT,
Register of Deeds, Lyon Co., Kan.

Deposited in my office, this 26th day of August, 1863.

ASA HAIRGROVE,
Auditor.